

PATENT APPLICATION

REMARKS

The Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action mailed February 12, 2003. Applicants have amended Claim 43 to incorporate the limitations of Claim 46 which the Examiner indicated would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claims 44-45 and Claims 47-53 are dependent upon Claim 43 which has been amended and therefore are allowable. Claim 46 is cancelled without prejudice. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and favorable action in this case.

CONCLUSION

The Applicants have made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For the foregoing reasons, and for reasons clearly apparent, the Applicants respectfully request full allowance of all pending claims. If there are any matters that can be discussed by telephone to further the prosecution of the Application, the Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned at 512-372-8240 at the Examiner's convenience.

Respectfully submitted,
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